Agency X

Agency To promote optimal health for individuals and communities while providing effective health

Mission: services.

# Agency X

# **Division of Health Services**

Agency To provide the leadership and direction and foster the spirit of innovation needed to

**Mission:** achieve an efficient and effective health and human services system.

Agency The Health Services Division of Agency X works to protect public health and to bring

**Notes:** high-quality services and support to constituents in need.

### Office of the Ombudsman

**Business Unit** 

Notes:

The Office of the Ombudsman consists of three staff working in our central location. These staff are dedicated to using the ombudsman function to help Agency X provide the

best service possible and to help improve public health.

# Agency X

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# Office of the Ombudsman

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Function: Dispute Resolution Reviews

### **Business Function Description**

Performs dispute resolution reviews for certain long-term health facilities.

**Business Function Criticality** 

Maximum Acceptable Outage: 97 hours or more (necessary)

Critical Peak Periods:

Critical Peak Days:

Critical Peak Months:

None

**Direct Impacts** 

Daily Financial Impact: Less than \$100,000

Affected Employees: 3
Affected Constituents: 10
Affected Organizations: 3

### Affected Groups

The three staff of the Agency X Ombudsman Unit. The constituents with the dispute. The 2 long-term health facilities and sometimes an contracted facilitator.

#### Service Impact

Disputes between the long-term health facilities and the constituents would have to be resolved by another means. Un-resolved disputes can quickly become liabilities in terms of both quality health care for the constituent and financial impact.

### **Business Continuity Plan**

Documented manual process for this function? Yes Date last tested: 06/03/2005

Business Continuity Plan for this function? No Date last tested:

# **Business Function Notes**

The financial impact of not resolving the disputes could become quite large over time.

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# Office of the Ombudsman

**Business** 

Function: Dispute Resolution Reviews (continued)

**Business** 

Application: Dispute Resolution Guidelines

Business Application Maximum Acceptable Outage: 97 hours or more (necessary)

Business Application Platform		Application Support Providers							Required Connectivity				
Computing Platform		DoIT	Agency IT	Agency Non-IT	Vendor / Contractor	Application Services Provider	Other	None	LAN	WAN / Intranet	Internet	DSL/Dialup	
	Mainframe												
	Server												
Υ	Desktop			Υ					Υ				
	Laptop												
	PDA												
	Smart Phone												
	Other:												
	Who backs up this application data?			Υ									

# Information Recovery Plan

If agency-supported, date backup/restore procedures last tested:

Is this application dependent on other systems?

Business Application Life Cycle

Are there any plans to upgrade or replace this application?

**Business Application Notes** 

This is a Microsoft Word Document that contains specific rules for conducting the Dispute Resolution Review.

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### Office of the Ombudsman

**Business** 

Function: Ombudsman Function

### **Business Function Description**

Act as a neutral third party to assist in the protection of the rights and interests of constituents against arbitrary or capricious action or lack of appropriate action by Agency X.

### **Business Function Criticality**

Maximum Acceptable Outage: 73-96 hours (important)

Critical Peak Periods: None

Critical Peak Days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Critical Peak Months: None

**Direct Impacts** 

Daily Financial Impact: Less than \$100,000

Affected Employees: 3

Affected Constituents: 2,000,000

Affected Organizations: 10

### Affected Groups

Employees of Agency X, Constituents of Agency X who have the need to file a complaint against Agency X. All three contractors working for Agency X. Nine regional boards for service coordination.

# Service Impact

Constituents with possible complaints against Agency X would have no neutral party available for review and mediation of the complaint. The Employees and contractors would have no way to receive new issues and no way to follow-up on existing issues. Existing issues may fall through the cracks. If this function was not available, the nine regional boards for service coordination could not coordinate and act on complaints coming in to the Office of the Ombudsman.

### **Business Continuity Plan**

Documented manual process for this function? Yes Date last tested: 05/31/2002

Business Continuity Plan for this function? No Date last tested:

# **Business Function Notes**

We used to perform this function manually (until May of 2002). We have not performed it manually since and are not sure if the old forms and file systems are still in place.

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# Office of the Ombudsman

**Business** 

Function: Ombudsman Function (continued)

**Business** 

Application: Ombudsman Issue Tracking System (OITS)

Business Application Maximum Acceptable Outage: 73-96 hours (important)

Business Application Platform		Application Support Providers							Required Connectivity					
Computing Platform		DoIT	Agency IT	Agency Non-IT	Vendor / Contractor	Application Services Provider	Other	None	LAN	WAN / Intranet	Internet	DSL/Dialup		
	Mainframe													
Υ	Server			Υ					Υ					
Υ	Desktop			Υ					Υ					
	Laptop													
	PDA													
	Smart Phone													
	Other:													
	Who backs up this application data?			Υ										

# Information Recovery Plan

If agency-supported, date backup/restore procedures last tested: 05/31/2002 Is this application dependent on other systems? No

# Business Application Life Cycle

Are there any plans to upgrade or replace this application?

# **Business Application Notes**

The OITS application has been used heavily since its installation in 2002. We do not ever use the manual process.

# Agency X

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### Office of the Ombudsman

**Business** 

Function: Review Policies and Practices

### **Business Function Description**

Ensures policies and practices of Agency X are consistent with the goals of the Health Services Commission.

### **Business Function Criticality**

Maximum Acceptable Outage: 97 hours or more (necessary)

Critical Peak Periods: Annually Critical Peak Days: None

Critical Peak Months: January, February, March

**Direct Impacts** 

Daily Financial Impact: Less than \$100,000

Affected Employees: 3

Affected Constituents: 2,000,000

Affected Organizations: 2

### Affected Groups

The three staff in the Agency X Ombudsman Unit. All Constituents of Agency X. Agency X and the Commission on Health Services.

### Service Impact

If the policies and practices were not reviewed for consistency with the mission of the Commission on Health, Agency X may find itself in a position where services provided its constituents might differ from the stated mission. This could cause instability in the services provided and confusion as to the goal of the staff of Agency X.

### **Business Continuity Plan**

Documented manual process for this function? Yes Date last tested: 03/15/2005

Business Continuity Plan for this function? No Date last tested:

### **Business Function Notes**

The Office of the Ombudsman does a yearly audit of the services provided by Agency X and the policies and practices used to provide these services. The audit is a mostly manual process and is performed during the months of January, February and March of each year. We chose a financial impact of less than \$100,000 if service was interrupted. However, in the long term, the financial impact could be much greater. If a service was established that did not fall within the mission of the Health Services Commission, there is the potential that the service would have to be discontinued. The costs associated with that could be quite high.

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# Office of the Ombudsman

**Business** 

Function: Review Policies and Practices (continued)

**Business** 

Application: Review Policies and Practices Spreadsheet

<u>Business Application Maximum Acceptable Outage</u>: 97 hours or more (necessary)

Business Application Platform		Application Support Providers							Required Connectivity				
Computing Platform		DoIT	Agency IT	Agency Non-IT	Vendor / Contractor	Application Services Provider	Other	None	LAN	WAN / Intranet	Internet	DSL/Dialup	
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### Information Recovery Plan

If agency-supported, date backup/restore procedures last tested:

Is this application dependent on other systems?

**Business Application Life Cycle** 

Are there any plans to upgrade or replace this application?

### **Business Application Notes**

We use a Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet to keep track of all existing policies and practices for Agency X. During the audit period (Jan-Mar) policies and practices are added, changed or removed from the spreadsheet. Without this master list, an audit would take much longer as all policies and practices would have to be identified from scratch. The spreadsheet is backed up nightly during the audit. At the end of the audit, two copies are made. One stays onsite and the other is moved to a secure offsite location.